

It has come to my attention that Sinclair Broadcasting has decided to force their stations to show an anti-Kerry documentary just days before the election. In recent years, the media has seen more and more consolidation. I find this trend alarming, dangerous, and inherently un-American. Sinclair, and indeed all television stations use the public airwaves free of charge, which obligates them by law to serve the public interest. I can't imagine how the public interest can be served with a one-sided documentary. I frequently lament the loss of local programming as more and more media outlets are owned and operated by people far away that know nothing about my community, and furthermore have no interest in its welfare. We are moving closer and closer to the day that we have one Uber-network, and only one party is allowed to voice its opinion, and that, my friends, is called Fascism. Abhorrent and disgusting mandates like the one Sinclair has created fly in the face of the Constitution and the meaning of being American, and it indicates the immediate need for stronger media ownership rules and a more substantial license renewal process. Thank you.